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Applicant : Xia, et al.
Application No. : 10/724,680
Filed : December 1, 2003
Title : Use of a Cationic Polysaccharide to Enhance Biocidal Efficacies
Group/Art Unit : 1617
Examiner : Carlic K. Kuynh
Conf. No. : 2368
Docket No. : P03295

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RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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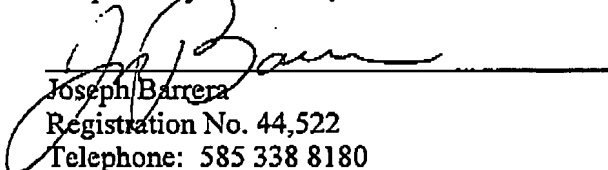
Dear Sir:

On March 21, 2007, Applicants submitted a Response for Restriction and elected claims 1-6 and 13-17 (Group D). Applicants inadvertently failed to elect a species as requested. Thereafter, Applicants filed a Preliminary Amendment cancelling the non-elected claims 6-12 and 18-19. Amended Claim 1 (from which all of the now pending claims depend directly or indirectly) recites the elected cationic polysaccharide, polyquaternium-10. To further address the Request for election of species and to comply with the pending Official Action, Applicants further elect polyquaternium-1 as the selected antimicrobial agent.

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing election.

Dated: April 26, 2007

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